

HA-1843  
1933  
Bel Air  
Private

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McMullen House  
Bel Air, Harford Co.

FRAMEWORK FOR IDENTIFYING COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DATA

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:

3. Piedmont

Chronological/Developmental Period:

☐ 11. Industrial/Urban Dominance 1870-1930

☒ 12. Modern Period 1930 - present

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme:

2. Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community  
Planning

Resource Type:

Category: Architecture

Historic Environment: Urban

Historic Function and Use: Private Residence

Known Design Source: unknown

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. HA-1843

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic McMullen House

and/or common

## 2. Location

street &amp; number 318 Maitland Ave. n/a not for publication

city, town Bel Air vicinity of congressional district 3rd

state MD county Harford

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

## 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Mr. and Mrs. Leo D. Wallett

street &amp; number 318 Maitland Ave. telephone no.: 838-6620

city, town Bel Air state and zip code MD 21014

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Harford County Courthouse liber 642

street &amp; number folio 325

city, town Bel Air state MD

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

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### Condition

☒ excellent  
☐ good  
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated  
☐ ruins  
☐ unexposed

### Check one

☐ unaltered  
☒ altered

### Check one

☒ original site  
☐ moved      date of move \_\_\_\_\_

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Contributing resource count: one

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Entry in the middle bay of the facade is directly into the living room, which occupies the whole front of the house. Formerly the south part of the living room was a bedroom which communicated with the bath and second bedroom to the rear. The present owners removed the north wall to make one large room. Woodwork has a slight cornice. The dining room is to the northwest, with the kitchen behind it. To the south west one finds a straight run enclosed staircase along the north wall. Upstairs there is a square post balustrade. South of that is a hall which leads to a bedroom in the rear and to the bathroom in the center. Upstairs are 3 bedrooms and a bath, their ceilings shaped by the roofline.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1933 Builder/Architect unknown

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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The house stayed in the McMullen family until 1957. The current owners, Leo and Betty Walle, enlarged the living room by removing the wall between it and the front bedroom. The living room now occupies the whole front of the house.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. HA-1043

Harford County Land Records.  
Site visit, 5 May 1993.

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name Bel AirQuadrangle scale 1:24,000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Parcel 1357 in the Town of Bel Air, 7,500 sq. ft.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Dr. Marilyn M. Lareworganization \_\_\_\_\_ date 7-15-93street & number RD 1, Box 219 telephone 717-993-3557city or town New Park state PA 17352

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owner: Leo D. Wallett

642/325            14 Mar 1964  
                 John R. McWilliam and Mary Lane McWilliam, wife  
                 to  
                 Leo D. Wallett and Betty J.  
                 NW half of lots 4-9, block D, Fulford Park

493/50            31 Oct 1957  
                 Ralph V. Crouse, separated  
                 to  
                 John R. McWilliam and Mary Lane  
                 separation agreement, 18 Oct 1956, 474/269  
                 part of:

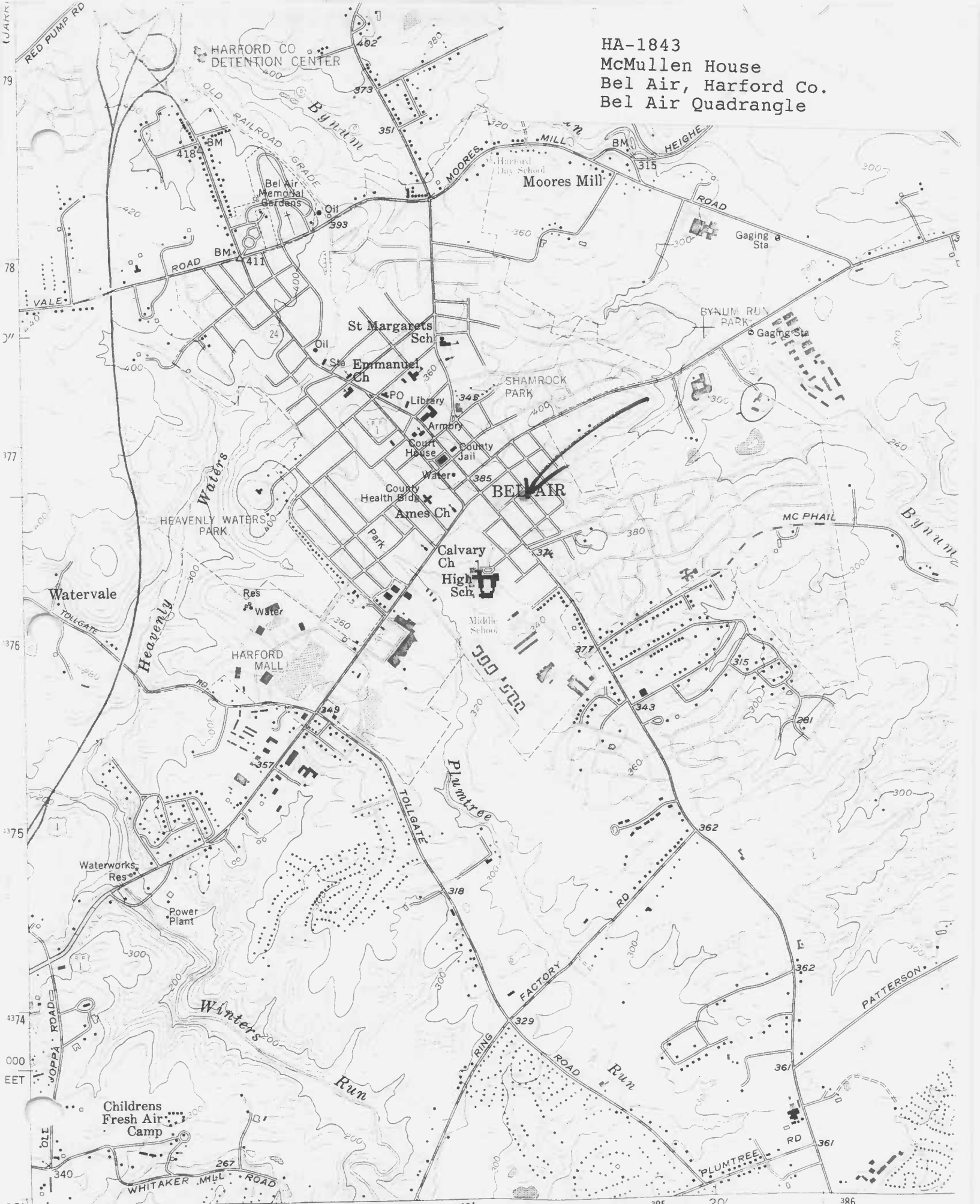
484/71            28 June 1957  
                 William McMullen and Helen M.  
                 to  
                 Ralph V. Crouse  
                 all of lots 4-13, block D, Fulford Park

227/43            21 June 1933  
                 Samuel E. Dameron and Cora, of Newark, Del.  
                 Farmers and Merchants National Bank of Bel Air  
                 to  
                 William McMullen and Helen M.  
                 same land

227/42            21 June 1933  
                 William McMullen and Helen of Cecil Co.  
                 to  
                 Samuel E. Dameron  
                 same land

unrecorded        ? Apr 1933  
                 Dameron to McMullen

181/65            6 Nov 1922  
                 William Nicholls  
                 to  
                 Dameron  
                 Nicholls sub-divided Fulford Park



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Bel Air Quadrangle





318 MAITLAND AVE  
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44-1903

Memo: Maitland Ave

22 May 1944

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